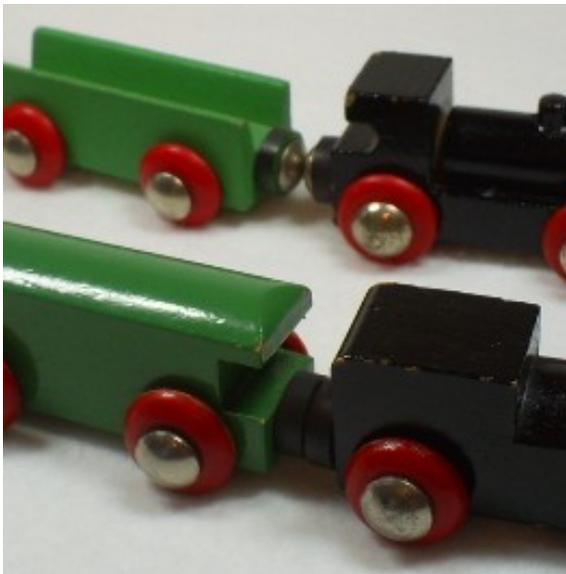


Many toys use magnets.





Magnets are used in paperclip holders, magnetic pushpins, and clips.

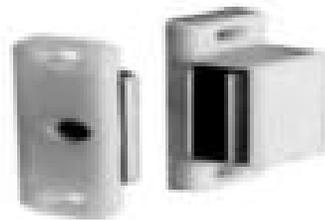




Shower curtains may have magnets at the bottom to hold them in place.



Can openers use a magnet to hold the lid of the can.



There are many kinds of magnetic latches on doors and cupboards.



Many people use magnets on their refrigerators.

Do you have any favorite ones on your refrigerator?



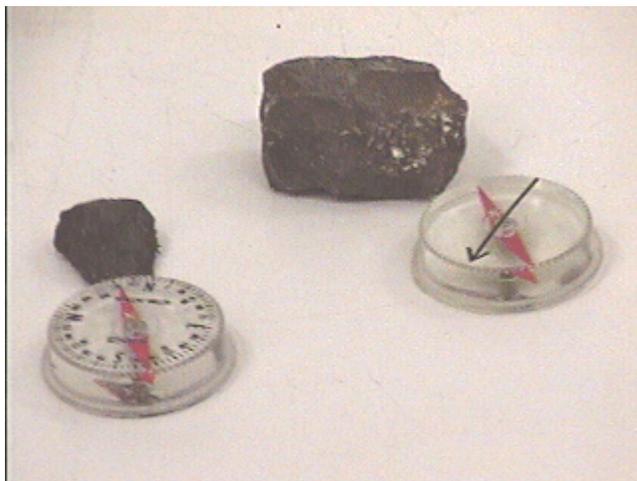
Here is a magnetic tool rack, a magnetized screwdriver, and a magnetic pin cushion. Why do you think these are good uses for magnets?





A lodestone is a natural magnet.
If it is dangled from a string, it will act like a
compass and point to the north pole of the
earth.

Compasses are magnets that point to the north
pole of the Earth, or to any other strong
magnet, such as a lodestone.





Industrial magnets are used to pick up metals, and to sort trash for recycling.





Maglev (magnetically levitated) trains use magnets to help them move very, very fast.

You can levitate ring magnets on a pencil.



MRI (Magnetic Resonance Imaging) machines use the magnetic fields from very powerful magnets to help doctors see pictures of the inside of a person.



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